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The reply filed on July 23, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): see the attached sheet. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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1. The response filed July 23, 2003 failed to include claims 14-18 and 20. It is pointed out that because the amendment filed May 23, 2003 was not compliant with 37 C.F.R. 1.173(b), it was not entered. Therefore, claims 14-18 and 20 as filed May 23, 2003 were not entered. As such, these claims should have been resubmitted with the amendment of July 23, 2003.

2. Claims 14-18 and 20 should be resubmitted with underlining.

Note: In the communication mailed June 19, 2003, applicant was directed to insert the parenthetical expression (amended) after each claim number of claims 14-18 and 20 as these claims are amended in that they are being underlined. This direction was IN ERROR. By merely underlining claims 14-18 and 20 they are NOT being amended and the parenthetical expression (amended) should NOT appear after the claim number of claims 14-18 and 20.

3. The submission of original claims 2 and 11 to add the subject matter of the certificate of correction is correct except it is noted that the comma between "therebetween" and "a main" of claim 11, line 5 has been left out. NOTE: the parenthetical expression (Original) appearing after claim numbers 2 and 11 is **CORRECT.**

4. The amendment filed July 23, 2003 has been entered. A supplemental amendment correcting the above is required.